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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

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Re: Permitted Ex Parte Presentation on the Biennial Regulatory Review – Streamlining and Other Revisions of Part 25 of the Commission's Rules Governing the Licensing of, and Spectrum Usage by, Satellite Network Earth Stations and Space Stations, IB Docket No. 00-248

#### Dear Secretary Dortch:

On July 29, 2003, staff and representatives of QUALCOMM, Inc. met with representatives of the International Bureau to discuss QUALCOMM's comments and reply comments in the above-referenced rulemaking proceeding. In attendance for the Federal Communications Commission were Thomas Tycz, Chief, Satellite Division, John Martin, Senior Engineer and Steven Spaeth, Policy Branch. In attendance for QUALCOMM, Inc. were Jonas Neihardt and Leonard Schiff, QUALCOMM, Inc., Jan King, Ecliptic Enterprises Corp., and Leslie Taylor, Leslie Taylor Associates, Inc., on behalf of QUALCOMM, Inc.

During the meeting QUALCOMM discussed its comments in the above-referenced proceeding and provided additional information concerning its proposed revisions to the Part 25 rules. Attached is a copy of the slides provided during this presentation.

Please let me know if there are any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely yours,

#### Leslie A. Taylor

Cc: Thomas Tycz, Chief, Satellite Division John Martin, Senior Engineer, Satellite Division Steven Spaeth, Policy Branch



#### Proposed Revisions to 47 CFR, Part 25 IB Docket No. 00-248

Proposals of QUALCOMM, Inc.

Presented to International Bureau
Federal Communications Commission
July 29, 2003



#### QUALCOMM'S FOCUS TODAY

- Statistical Methods Used to Address Adjacent Satellite Interference:
  - Ka-Band Terminals Routinely Processed:
    - Part 25.138(a) Blanket Licensing Provisions
  - Contention Protocols vs. Classical Multiplexing Techniques (FDMA, TDMA and CDMA):
    - Part 25.138(a):  $ESD = 18.5 25 \log ? 10 \log N$
    - FNPRM at ¶79 and ¶88.
    - Exceedance Duration Issues
  - Extension of Rules to Other Bands (Ka-Band)
    - FNPRM at ¶101
    - 18 GHz Order, FCC 00-212
- SIA Reply Comments Re Contention Protocols.



#### What's Happening in the Marketplace?

- Two-way Broadband Connectivity in Urban and Suburban Homes is Growing Rapidly.
- Cable Companies have Created a Service Expectation for DTH Video bundled with High Speed Internet Access.
- A Strong Public Mandate Exists to Abolish the "Digital Divide."
- FSS Systems are the Only Practical Means of Providing Affordable Services to Non-Cabled Areas in the Foreseeable Future.
- QUALCOMM has been developing new technology for highdata rate FSS earth stations and is interested in entering the business.



## What is Happening with Broadband Technologies?

- Data Packet Switched Networks Are Beginning to Dominate Many Telecommunications Markets.
- Broadband Internet Connectivity is Being Provided by a Mix of Wireline, Satellite and Terrestrial RF Facilities.
- Networks Are Now Adaptive to:
  - User Demands
  - Instantaneous Network Conditions
  - Market Conditions
- Systems have Significant Data Rate Dynamics



## Why Statistical Methods Should be Employed to Address Interference in Future Telecom Systems

- In Order to Adapt to Dynamic Service and Data Rate Requirements, Methods Have Been Developed which:
  - Adjust Channel Conditions to User Demand
  - Account for Natural Variations in Traffic Level and Link Signal Conditions (e.g. Propagation)
  - Adapt to the Variable Delays Encountered When Connecting to the Internet

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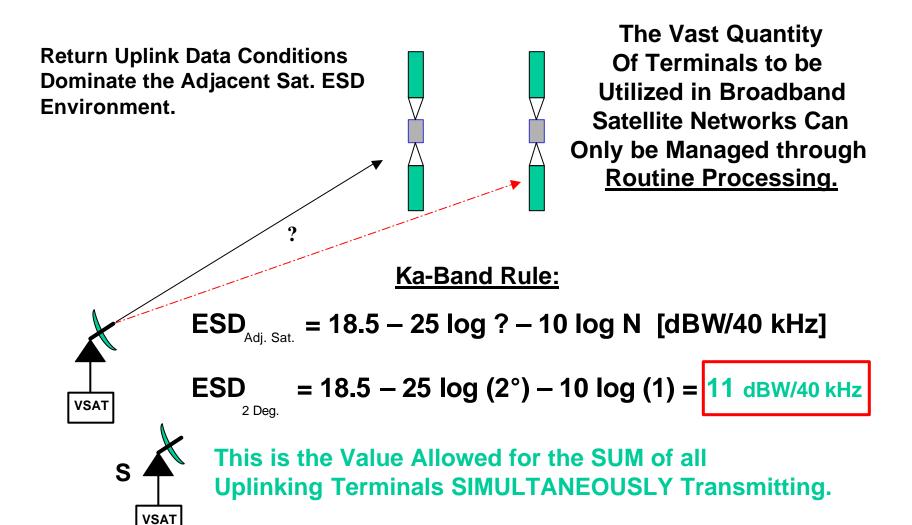
## Why Statistical Methods Should be Employed to Address Interference in Future Telecom Systems –(2)

- Data Rates Within a Channel Vary With Time.
- Data Rates of Users Sharing "Channels" (FDMA, TDMA or CDMA) and System Resources are Different Even at the Same Instant.
- Transmission Times and Delays Vary Within a Channel.
- EACH OF THESE FACTORS INTRODUCES ONE TO MANY RANDOM VARIABLES INTO THE DATA SYSTEM PROVIDING CONNECTIVITY.
- If Satellites are to Play a Major Role in Broadband Services
   They Must Adapt to and Support this Reality.

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## **Key Issue for Broadband Satellite Systems: Routinely Processed VSAT Terminals**





#### Let's Examine "N"

- "N" is the "Likely Maximum Number" of Simultaneous Co-Frequency Emitters
  - The "10 log (N)" term implies that

    10 simultaneous

co-frequency emitters will have EQUAL and constant power.



#### Let's Examine "N"

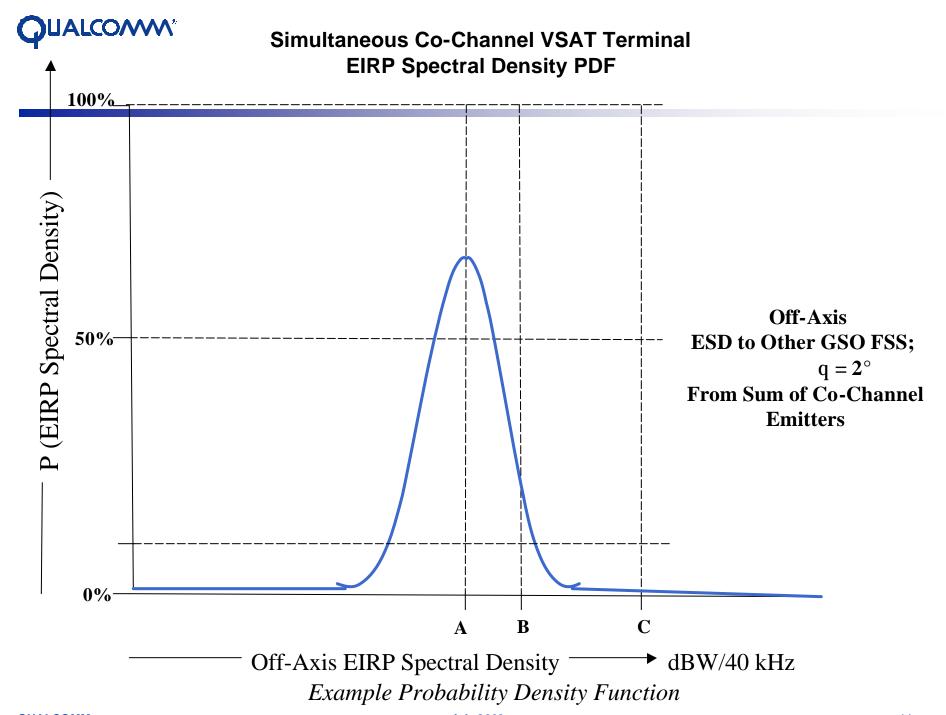
#### "Likely Maximum Number" of Simultaneous Co-Frequency Emitters

- In contrast to the foregoing assumption, in a modern data network:
  - The power of each simultaneous co-frequency emitter can be different and each emitter's power changes with time (and appears as a random variable in the channel).
  - The number of simultaneous co-frequency emitters varies instant-by-instant (and is a random process).
  - The delays in transmission of data are not precisely known and are determined by random processes including those dictated by the Internet itself.



#### **Probability Density Function (PDF)**

- Due to the summation of all random factors working within a broadband system, the power transmitted by the sum of all channel emitters varies with time and can be expressed by a probability density function (PDF).
  - In our example, we have shown the process as though the power were approximately NORMALLY distributed.
  - Other distribution functions are possible for different systems.



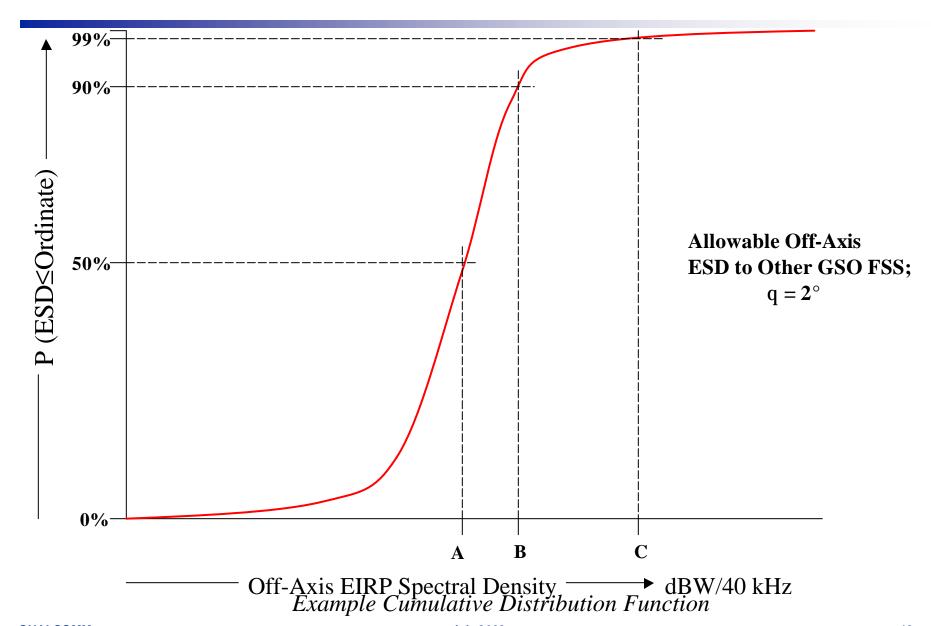


# **Cumulative Distribution Function** (CDF)

- In communications problems it is often very useful to express the statistical behaviour of the system in terms of the mathematical *integral* of the PDF. This function is known as the Cumulative Distribution Function (or CDF).
- This function gives the probability (percentage of the time) that a certain power level (in this case, EIRP spectral density) will <u>not</u> be exceeded.

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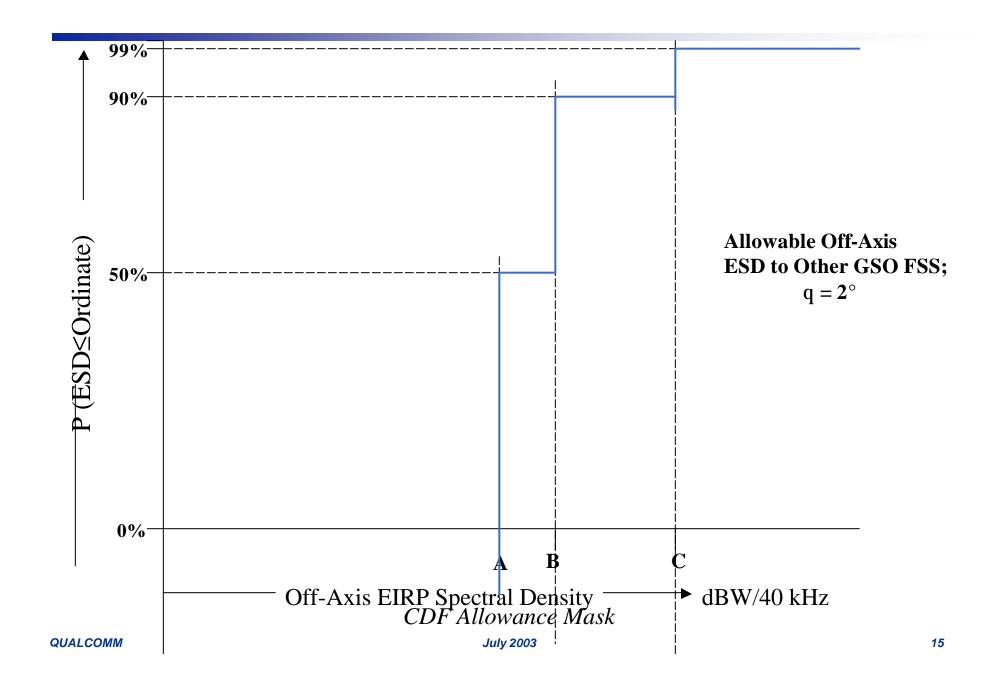




#### **An Allowance Mask**

- In order to formulate a regulation without using a complex mathematical relationship, an Allowance Mask may be used as we show here, by example.
- Similar allowance masks are used throughout CFR 47, in various places.
- By assigning discrete values where EIRP spectral density may not be exceeded, the rule format is simplified and may easily be put into words.



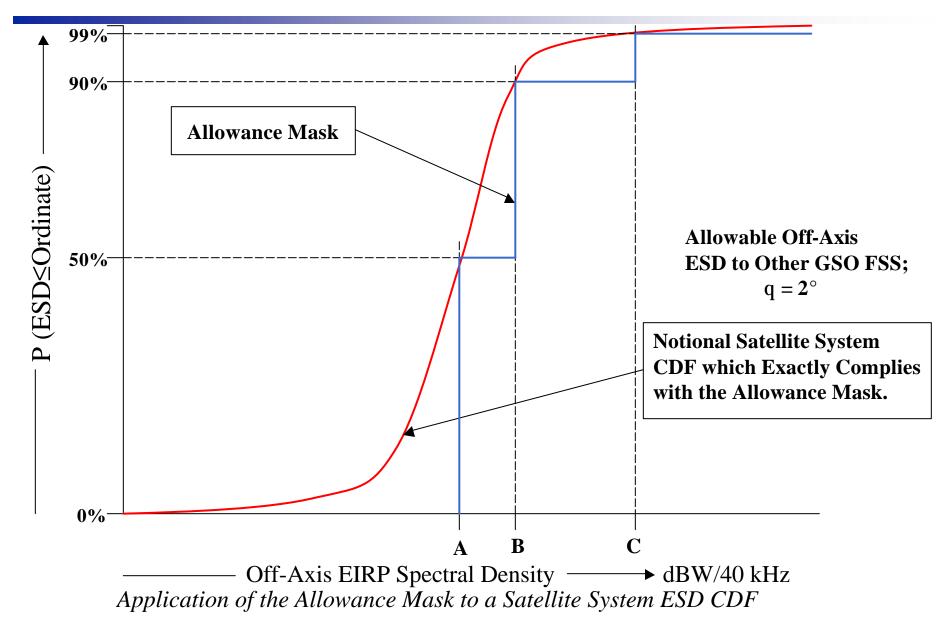




#### **Compliance with the Allowance Mask**

 Applicants may then develop satellite ground systems which make optimum utilization of the variables within their systems so long as they conform to the Allowance Mask.



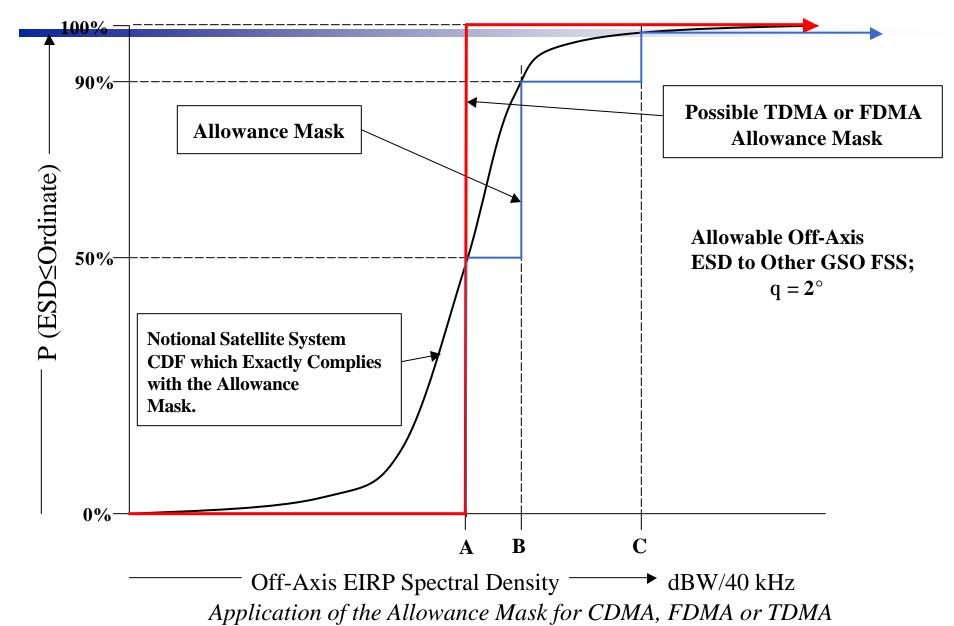


### **QUALCONN** Applicability to Other Multiplexing **Techniques**

- The proposed notional Allowance Mask is applicable for a system with a NORMALLY distributed ensemble of emitters within one channel.
- The Mask could also be complied with by systems using FDMA, TDMA and various forms of contention protocols (e.g. Aloha).
- TDMA and FDMA systems, because of the nature of their operations, would comply with the relationship shown in red. This is simply another way of expressing a portion of the current regulation at 25.138(a)(1).

(In this case A = 11 dBW/40 kHz).





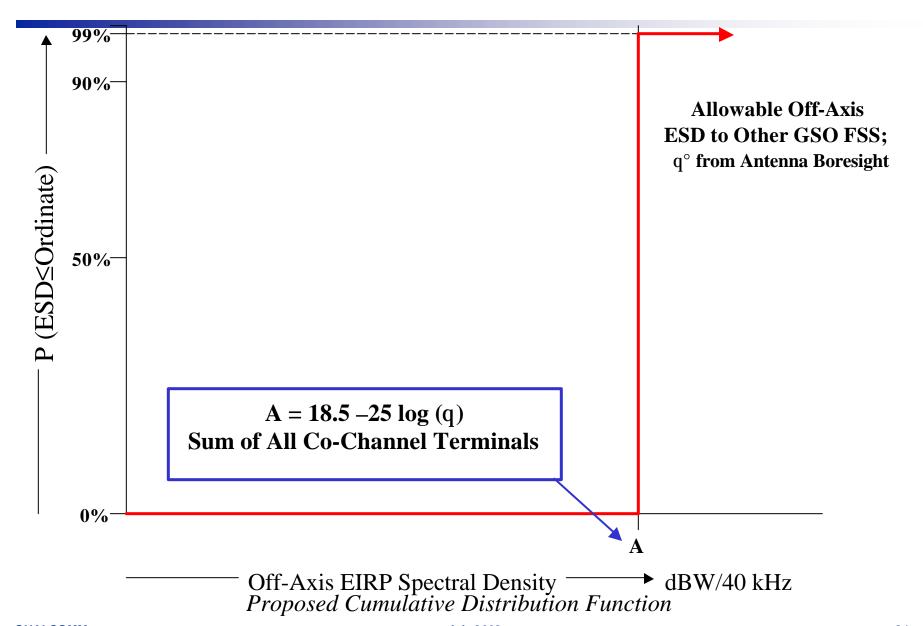
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#### The **Proposed Allowance Mask**

- QUALCOMM proposes the following specific Allowance Mask, consistent with its proposals within IB Docket 00-248
  - This figure addresses and simplifies the statistical process envisioned by the FCC in the <u>Part 25 FNPRM</u>.
  - It is applicable to Aloha Contention Protocol systems.
  - It does not disadvantage TDMA, FDMA or CDMA satellite systems or Contention Protocol systems using Aloha.
  - It addresses and could be utilized to "bring into compliance" VSAT systems using contention protocols (even as we speak), although these systems are operating in the Ku-Band.







#### **Exceedance Duration**

- A new rule must address the maximum duration (in time) for which the Adjacent Satellite EIRP Spectral Density might exceed the 18.5 – 10log(?) rule.
- One must not confuse exceedance durations with exceedance probabilities.
- The Exceedance Duration (time) should be tailored to the requirements of the victim system, given the characteristics of the particular services it is providing.





# **Victim Satellite Station Data Transaction Type**

Data Exchange Type:	Nature of Data:	Possible Acceptable Outage Time Due to ASI
Machine ←→ Machine	•Large Data Block Transfers	1.0 to 10 seconds
Machine ←→ Person	<ul><li>Web Browsing</li><li>Video Viewing</li><li>Small File Transfers</li></ul>	0.1 to 1.0 second
Person ←→ Person	Digital Voice     Various Real-Time     Internet Transactions (e.g. games)	0.1 to 1.0 second

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#### **Ka-Band Propagation Effects**

- 20/30 GHz Propagation Effects (Precipitation), if Uncorrected, could Result in Outage Conditions Lasting for Seconds to Minutes.
- Even with Signal Corrections, Power Control System Time Constants will Likely be in Excess of One (1.0) Second.
- This is a Characteristic of Control Systems Where Two Way GEO Time Delays are Involved.



#### **Exceedance Duration – Conclusion**

- The rules of man and the laws of nature dictate that, as a minimum, an ESD Exceedance Duration of approximately one (1) second is inevitable and such a delay would not likely cause unacceptable interference. This is certainly true at Ka-Band where QUALCOMM's interests lie.
- This Exceedance Duration Criterion is technology neutral and should support the introduction of new technologies.

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#### **Additional Slides**



#### **Example of Channel Data Rate Sharing**

		Code:	Watts/CPE:
Desired CPE Walsh Code Rate/Power: CODE VALUE (RATE):	WALSH	1024	0.0021
Parallel (Other) Walsh Code Users:		Other Terminals Sharing Channel:	Other CPE Power:
w4		0	0.5280
w8		1	0.2640
w16		2	0.1320
w32		4	0.0660
w64		8	0.0330
w128		16	0.0165
w256		32	0.0083
w512		64	0.0041
w1024		127	0.0021
Total Co-Channel Uplink CPE (Users; Power):		255	2.1120
Total Co-Channel Uplink Other CPE (Users; Por	wer):	254	2.1099
Total EIRP Spectral Density Margin wrt FCC Lin	nit:	0.01	dB



#### **Example Proposed Rule Change:**

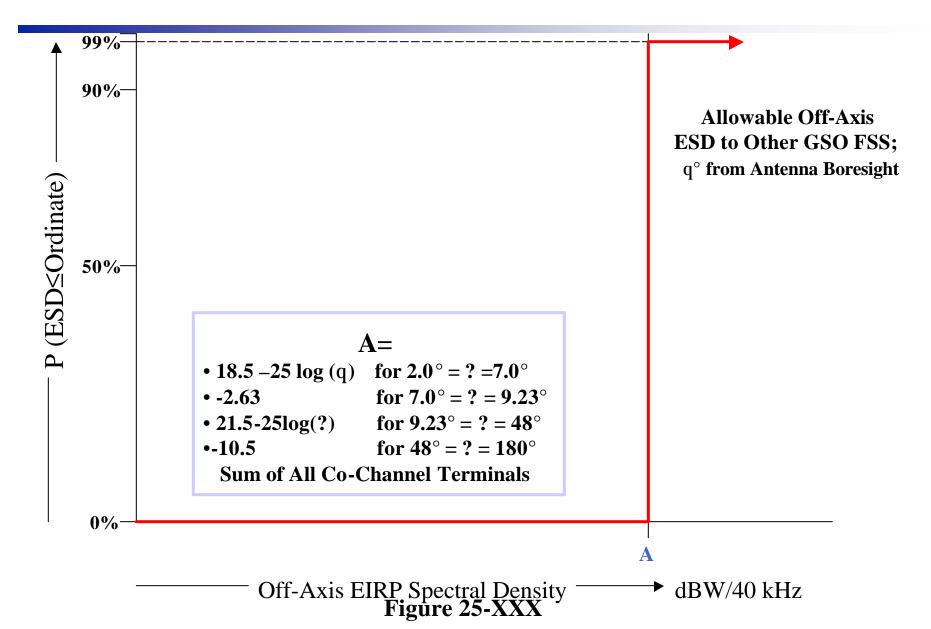
Part 25.138 (a)(1):

The total number of simultaneously transmitting cofrequency GSO FSS earth stations operating in one uplink beam may generate an off-axis EIRP spectral density for co-polarized signals (when directing their power within ±3° of the GSO arc and under clear sky conditions) in accordance with Figure 25-XXX.

The maximum duration for which the total co-channel adjacent satellite EIRP spectral density may exceed A shall not exceed 1.0 second.

?: is the average value of the angle, in degrees, measured from the axis of the main lobe of the earth station antennas to the direction of the potential victim space station.







# Satellite Industry Association Reply Comments Re Part 25 Random Access Protocols



"The QUALCOMM proposal is applicable only to contention protocol CDMA Systems. The proposal would not be applicable to reservation type systems such as TDMA, FDMA and non-random access CDMA. For example, TDMA uses narrow bandwidth on multiple shared carriers whereas contention protocol CDMA systems operate over the entire bandwidth."

- QUALCOMM has the following response to these comments:
  - The rules proposed by QUALCOMM are applicable to all multiple access methods.
  - Some TDMA systems are broadband (and use the full assigned bandwidth).
  - Many CDMA systems do not operate over the entire bandwidth available. Rather, many frequency channels are used.
  - Several QUALCOMM systems use BOTH contention and noncontention CDMA within the same system and the statistical methods proposed are applicable to both.
  - The Majority of Users in a Ka-Band System using QUALCOMM technology, would, in fact, be Employing Non-Contention CDMA.



"The QUALCOMM proposal would place TDMA, FDMA and nonrandom access systems at a disadvantage to contention protocol CDMA systems."

- QUALCOMM will be proposing a hybrid random access AND non-random access system for broadband Ka-Band service and thus, there is no disadvantage.
- TDMA systems might be considered to be disadvantaged (in the power dimension) in any case compared with CDMA because TDMA must transmit at a power level which supports the peak data rate of the system.
- FDMA systems are obsolete in comparison to other multiplexing systems but, would not be materially disadvantaged by the proposed new rule.
- Interference rules should not be designed to protect existing systems from competition from new technologies. Rather, they should be designed to protect the interference victim. -Nothing more.



"The SIA also opposes QUALCOMM's proposal to extend any regulations adopted regarding contention protocols to the Ka-Band."

"... it is premature to layer any additional regulations on these nascent networks without any basis for the new regulations."

- Current regulations, even those applicable to the Ka-Band, do not foster efficient utilization of satellite spectral and orbital location slot resources.
- Advanced technologies, particularly those that operate in a dynamic, packet switched, environment must adapt to statistically defined interference conditions if optimum benefit is to be achieved. Waiting to adopt these rules will not change the validity of this statement (now or in the future).
- A regulatory environment that makes efficient operation impossible and/or uncertain will prevent new operators from entering the business (which is not in the public interest).
- This issue is much broader than that which arises from the "contention protocol" Aloha issue. QCOM's proposals address this broader issue.
- QUALCOMM's proposed rules could bring into compliance with Part 25, operators whose Ku-Band terminals are currently not in compliance 100 percent of the time with the Adjacent Satellite Interference requirements of Part 25.